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SUBJECT: SOCIALIST INTERNATIONAL FACT-FINDING MISSION TO
MIDDLE EAST

REF: VIENNA 179 (NOTAL)

1. SOCIALIST PARTY FOREIGN AFFAIRS SPOKESMAN CZERNETZ TOLD
US THAT SI FACT-FINDING MISSION TO MIDDLE EAST WILL DEPART
MARCH 9 AND RETURN MARCH 16. GROUP WILL VISIT CAIRO, DAMASCUS,
AMMAN, JERUSALEM IN THAT ORDER. BARRING LAST MINUTE CHANGES,
DELEGATION, HEADED BY CHANCELLOR KREISKY (NO OTHER AUSTRIAN
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WILL ACCOMPANY HIM), WILL CONSIST OF HANS-HURGEN WISCHNEWSKI

AND HANS EBERHARD DINGELS, FRG; ROBERT PONTILLON, FRANCE;
RON HAYWORD AND TOM MCNALLY, UK; BERTIL LOVBERG AND BERNT
CARLSEN, SWEDEN; RELUS TER BEK, NETHERLANDS; EKI SONE,
JAPAN, ANTONIO CARIGLIA AND PIETRO LEZZI, ITALY. CZERNETZ
WAS QUITE UNCERTAIN WHETHER CARIGLIA AND LEZZI WILL BE ABLE
TO PARTICIPATE GIVEN THE POLITICAL UNCERTAINTIES AT HOME.
ORIGINAL PLAN FOR SECOND TRIP BY SOCIALIST INTERNATIONAL TO
TUNISIA, ALGERIA AND LIBYA (SEE REFTTEL) HAS BEEN DROPPED.

2. CZERNETZ TOLD US THAT IT TOOK SOME PERSUASION TO CON-
VINCE KREISKY THAT HE MUST INCLUDE ISRAELI STOP ON ITINERARY.
CONSIDERING THE SOMEWHAT STRAINED RELATIONS WHICH HAVE
EXISTED BETWEEN KREISKY AND GOLDA MEIR IN THE WAKE OF THE
SCHOENAU AFFAIR, KREISKY WAS QUITE RELUCTANT TO VISIT ISRAEL.

3. CHANCELLOR'S DISCUSSION WITH AMBASSADOR RE ME TRIP BEING
REPORTED SEPTTEL. HUMES

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